

IN THE CLAIMS:

1.-11. (Canceled)

12. (Currently Amended) A digital broadcasting receiver which displays at least one of video or character information of programs, comprising:

a menu-grid display controller to display a menu of at least present and future programs for a plurality of channels in a grid;

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an omission display controller which omits a part of a character information of a particular future program when a number of characters in the character information of the particular future program is larger than a number of characters which can be displayed in a first prescribed zone indicative of a prescribed time period of the grid, at least when the particular future program exceeds the prescribed time period of the first prescribed zone of the grid; and

a full display controller which displays, in response to a predetermined selection of a selected particular future program, an entirety of the character information of the selected particular future program, and a program start time and a program end time of the selected particular future program in a second prescribed zone displayed together with the grid, at least when the particular future program exceeds the prescribed time period of the first prescribed zone in the grid.

13. (Currently Amended) A digital broadcasting receiver according to claim 12, ~~further~~ comprising a judge controller which judges whether a number of

characters in the character information of the particular future program is larger than the number of characters which can be displayed in the first prescribed zone.

14. (Currently Amended) A digital broadcasting receiver according to claim 12, ~~further~~ comprising a select controller which selects the character information of the particular future program from a plurality of character information of the programs.

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15. (Currently Amended) A digital broadcasting receiver according to claim 12, wherein the omission display controller adds an omission symbol to a remaining part of the character information of the particular future program from which a part was omitted when displaying the remaining part of the character information of the particular future program from which a part was omitted in the first prescribed zone in the grid.

16. (Currently Amended) A digital broadcasting receiver which displays at least one of video or a plurality of background information blocks indicative of program time in a grid, comprising:

a display change controller which changes a particular background information block when the particular background information block cannot be displayed in full in a first prescribed zone indicative of a prescribed time period in the grid; and

a full display controller which displays, in response to a ~~predetermined~~ selection of a selected background information block, full program time information of

the ~~changed particular~~ selected background information block in a second prescribed zone displayed together with the grid for any program, at least when the program time period indicated by the particular background information a block of the selected background information block exceeds a program time period which is displayed in a first prescribed zone of the grid, regardless of whether the program is selected from programs currently being broadcast or from future programs not currently being broadcast;

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17. (Currently Amended) A digital broadcasting receiver according to claim 16, ~~further~~ comprising a judge controller which judges whether a background information block indicative of program time can be displayed in full in the first prescribed zone of the grid.

18. (Currently Amended) A digital broadcasting receiver according to claim 16, ~~further~~ comprising a select controller which selects a shape of the particular a background information block indicative of program time from a plurality of shapes of background information blocks indicative of program time.

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20. (Currently Amended) A digital broadcasting receiver according to claim 12, wherein the character information of the particular future program is a title of the particular future program.

21. (Currently Amended) A digital broadcasting receiver which displays at least one of video or a plurality of background information blocks each indicative of a program time period in a grid, comprising:

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a display change controller which changes a displayed shape of a particular background information block indicative of a program time period when the program time period indicated by the particular background information block exceeds a program time period which is displayed in a first prescribed zone in the grid; and

a full display controller which displays, in response to a ~~predetermined~~ selection of a selected background information block, a program start time and a program end time of the program time period indicated by the particular selected background information block in a second prescribed zone displayed together with the grid for any program, at least when the program time period indicated by the particular background information block exceeds a program time period which is displayed in a first prescribed zone of the grid, regardless of whether the program is selected from programs currently being broadcast or from future programs not currently being broadcast;

wherein the second prescribed zone is constantly displayed at a fixed position.

22. (Currently Amended) A digital broadcasting receiver according to claim 21, further comprising a judge controller which judges whether the program time period indicated by the particular background information block exceeds the program time period which can be displayed in the first prescribed zone.

23. (Currently Amended) A digital broadcasting receiver according to claim 21, further comprising a select controller which selects the particular background information block from the plurality of background information blocks.

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24. (Previously presented) A digital broadcasting receiver according to claim 12, wherein the second prescribed zone does not overlap any part of the first prescribed zone.

25. (Previously presented) A digital broadcasting receiver according to claim 12, wherein the second prescribed zone is constantly displayed at a fixed position.

26. (Previously presented) A digital broadcasting receiver according to claim 25, wherein the second prescribed zone does not overlap any part of the first prescribed zone.

27. (Previously presented) A digital broadcasting receiver according to claim 16, wherein the second prescribed zone does not overlap any part of the first prescribed zone.

28. (Currently Amended) A digital broadcasting receiver according to claim 16, wherein the full display controller ~~further~~ displays, in response to the ~~predetermined~~ selection of the selected background information block, an entirety of a character information of a program associated with the ~~changed~~ selected background information block in a third prescribed zone outside the second prescribed zone;

wherein the second prescribed zone is constantly displayed at a first fixed position; and

wherein the third prescribed zone is constantly displayed at a second fixed position different from the first fixed position.

29. (Original) A digital broadcasting receiver according to claim 28, wherein neither the second prescribed zone nor the third prescribed zone overlaps any part of the first prescribed zone.

30. (Original) A digital broadcasting receiver according to claim 21, wherein the second prescribed zone does not overlap any part of the first prescribed zone.

31. (Currently Amended) A digital broadcasting receiver according to claim 21, wherein the full display controller ~~further~~ displays, in response to the ~~predetermined~~ selection of the selected background information block, an entirety of a character information of a program associated with the ~~particular~~ selected background information block in a third prescribed zone outside the second prescribed zone;

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wherein the second prescribed zone is constantly displayed at a first fixed position; and

wherein the third prescribed zone is constantly displayed at a second fixed position different from the first fixed position.

32. (Original) A digital broadcasting receiver according to claim 31, wherein neither the second prescribed zone nor the third prescribed zone overlaps any part of the first prescribed zone.

33. (Currently Amended) A digital broadcasting receiver which displays at least data information of programs, comprising:

a menu-grid display controller to display a menu to hold information of at least current and future programs for a plurality of channels in a grid;

a first display controller which displays information indicative of at least one of a current program and partial information of at least one future program at indicated predetermined time periods of the grid, where a time period of the at least one future program may exceed the indicated time period within a first ~~prescribe~~ prescribed zone of the grid; and

a second display controller which displays, in response to selection of a selected future program indicated to exceed the indicated time period within the first prescribed zone of the grid, at least the start time and end time of the selected future program in a second prescribed zone displayed together with the grid, where a time period of the at least one future program may exceed the indicated time period within a first prescribed zone of the grid.

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34. (Currently Amended) A digital broadcasting receiver which displays at least one of video or character information of programs, comprising:

a menu-grid display controller to display a menu to hold information of at least current and future programs for a plurality of channels in a grid;

an omission display controller which omits a part of a character information of a particular future program when a data amount of characters in the character information of the particular future program is larger than a data amount of characters in the characters which can be displayed in a first prescribed zone indicative of a prescribed time period of the grid at least when the particular future program exceeds the prescribed ~~time~~ time period of the first prescribed zone of the grid; and

a full display controller which displays, in response to a ~~predetermined~~ selection of a selected future program, an entirety of the character information of the ~~particular~~ selected future program, and a program start ~~time~~ time and a program end time of the ~~particular~~ selected future program in a second prescribed zone displayed together with the grid at least when the ~~future-particular~~ selected future program exceeds the prescribed time period of the first prescribed zone of the grid.

35. (New) A digital broadcasting receiver which displays at least one of video or character information of programs, comprising;

a display controller to compare a time information band of a particular program block to a predetermined display time band indicative of a prescribed time period to be displayed and to display a partial time information band of a particular program block not exceeding the display time band; and

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a full display controller to display, in response to a predetermined selection of a particular partial time information band, additional information for the corresponding particular program.

36. (New) A digital broadcasting receiver according to claim 35, wherein the full display controller is to display additional character Information as the additional information for the corresponding particular program.

37. (New) A digital broadcasting receiver according to claim 35, wherein the full display controller is to display an entirety of character information for the corresponding particular program, as the additional Information for the corresponding particular program.

38. (New) A digital broadcasting receiver according to claim 35, wherein the full display controller is to display program start time and program end time information as the additional information for the corresponding particular program.

39. (New) A digital broadcasting receiver according to claim 35, wherein the full display controller is to display additional character information and program start time and program end time information as the additional information for the corresponding particular program.

40. (New) A digital broadcasting receiver according to claim 35, wherein the full display controller is to display the additional information for the corresponding particular program in a differing display area outside of a display time band area.

41. (New) A digital broadcasting receiver according to claim 35, wherein the full display controller is to display the additional information for the corresponding particular program in a differing window from the display time band.
